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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Riichiro IKEDA Conf.: 2855
Appl. No.: 10/002,008 Group: 3616
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For: ELECTRONIC POWER STEERING APPARATUS

L E T T E R

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 12, 2004

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a), applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for an extension of time for three (3) month(s) to July 12, 2004 for filing a reply to the Office Action dated January 12, 2004 in connection with the above-identified application.

Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

NO extensions of time have been previously obtained for filing the response. Thus a fee of \$0.00 for an extension of () month(s) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a) is required.

An extension of two (2) month(s) for filing a reply was previously petitioned and paid for on June 3, 2004. Thus a

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fee of \$530.00 is required for obtaining an additional one (1) month(s) for filing a reply.

A check in the amount of \$530.00 is attached.

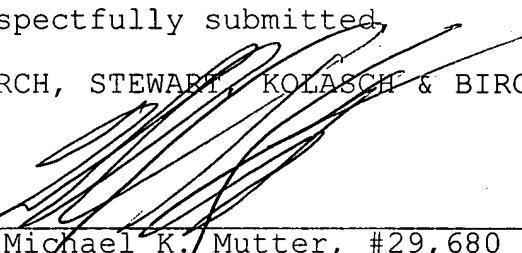
Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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